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advancement. He claims to advocate State registration; he stands for the higher education of nurses; he disapproves, we are told, of using pupils in training as a means of revenue for the hospital, but he is a strong advocate of the Waltham method and he represents the influences which are believed to have defeated the Massachusetts bill for State registration. We know that some of our friends have joined this society because of their personal confidence in Dr. Cabot's loyalty to nursing interests.

There is a wonderful resemblance, from our point of view, between the organization of the New England Association for the Education of the Nurse and the early inception of the Royal British Nurses' Association. We cannot see the disastrous effect of the English organization upon the nursing interests in Great Britain and feel any degree of confidence in the results that may be looked for in the New England association, even under the leadership of Dr. Cabot, for whom we have profound respect. The defeat of the Massachusetts bill for State registration, which was a nurses' measure for nurses' advancement, came, at least to some extent, through the influence of the group of people who originated this new society. It cannot be called a nursing organization, nor can those who are leading it consistently profess to be in sympathy with State registration upon the lines desired by nurses, when they have been so recently instrumental in defeating the nurses' bill. It is the first organized opposition to the liberty of nurses that we have had in this country, and while we regret to differ from some of our friends who believe that great good can come from it, we adhere to the opinion that the best interests of the professional advancement of the great nursing body in New England cannot be developed from such a society. That there is need for improved methods of training no one denies, but we believe, in the light of the history of nursing, that nurses must work out these problems for themselves, with State registration the compelling force.

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#### A CORRECTION

THE announcement was made in the April issue of the JOURNAL that the Governor of Maryland had appointed Miss Ross as the inspector of training-schools for the State. We were in error as to the source of Miss Ross's appointment. Miss Ross was not appointed by the Governor, but was requested by the Board of Nurse Examiners to visit the training-schools of the State and look into the methods in vogue, that the board might be better informed as to the character of the work being done in the schools.